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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for the Office Action dated September 22, 2005.

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Fujishiro. Claims 3-8 and 10 stand rejected as being obvious over Fujishiro in view of McIntyre.

In response the Applicant has amended claim 1 to recite the limitation of claim 3. The Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's assertion that the person skilled in the art would readily seek to combine the teachings of Fujishiro and McIntyre. McIntyre describes a compact device for insertion into a digital camera. By the inclusion of batteries, McIntyre teaches a completely self contained system that does not require an external drive source. Fujishiro teaches a rather complicated pick-up roller system that would not strike the skilled addressee as being of use in the compact system of McIntyre. By contrast, the present invention teaches an elegant solution for providing a supply of cut sheet print media that can be operated with a simple drive mechanism without the need for a battery supply within the cartridge, and with the additional provision of an ink chamber. That is, the Applicant respectfully argues that claim 1 as amended is patentable over the cited prior art, both in isolation and in combination.

In light of these submissions and the amendments made, the Applicant respectfully requests further consideration of the application.

Very respectfully,

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